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Our Watchwords: Organize, Educate, Agitate.

#### OUR PRINCIPLES.

Total abstinence, Prohibition of the liquor traffic, One standard of morals for men and women. The education of public sentiment for right.

The local option is on in good fashion. Meetings almost every day and night. Some doing valiant work. We ought to lend every energy to make April 8th memorable in the history of this battle which annihilates the liquor traffic in Monroe County.

Already 75 dry out of 114 counties in Missouri. Since Jan. 1, 1908, 14 counties have been added to the list.

Chillicothe so long closed to temperance work of any kind is today rejoicing over the change of sentiment, and the victory that is theirs.

Who are joining in the song and chorus, Missouri's going dry. (Tune, "Battle Hymn of the Republic.")

"Ring out ye bells, the tidings tell to people far and near, The wave of Prohibition fills the land we hold so dear; And soon of all her shame and crime our country shall be clear."

Missouri's going dry.

#### Chorus

Glory! Glory Hallelujah!  
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Missouri's going dry.

Will you not lend a hand in this war to abolish the drink trust and wipe out the infamy of legalized vice.

What if license should win by a single vote. Yours may be the deciding vote.

Mrs. Nelle Burges will speak in Monroe City on the 6th, she captures her audiences wherever she speaks. The newspapers give glowing accounts of her meetings and the places she has led to victory in the local option campaign. Her coming will give added interest and enthusiasm.

#### Holds His Own.

Hon. Sam B. Cook has been selected as a delegate from Cole county to the state Democratic convention by the Cole county Democratic convention, which body also endorsed him as a delegate to the national Democratic convention in Denver from the Sixth Missouri district. In spite of the fact, says the Mexico Intelligencer, that Mr. Cook's desire is to remain permanently out of politics, his friends seem determined to re-enter him, which, of course, is a high compliment.

Miss Effie Latus, of Ely was with Monroe friends Friday.

#### Lightning Kills Chas. Glascock.

Chas. Glascock, a young farmer, aged 35 years, residing on the Sears farm, four miles south of Saverton, was struck and instantly killed by lightning at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon while standing in the barn on his premises. When the rain storm came up yesterday Mr. Glascock, accompanied by a man named Cox, ran from the field in which they were working to the barn, in order to get out of the rain. They had been there but a short time when a bolt of lightning struck Mr. Glascock on the head. He was knocked to the ground and death resulted instantly. Cox who was standing several feet from Glascock, did not receive a shock; neither was the barn damaged.

The lightning split Glascock's head and ran down his right side, tearing off his shoes and melting a gold watch in his vest pocket. The body was picked up by Cox and others about the place and removed to the house. There were then no signs of life in his body, death having been instantaneous—Courier-Post.

#### Foretells Disaster.

Beloit, Wis., March 19.—The "roaring well" on a farm northeast of Beloit, which had an "eruption" preceding the San Francisco disaster, is again emitting ominous rumbling noises, and a strong wind pours from its cavernous depths. The residents of Rock county fear another awful catastrophe in some portion of North America. This well began roaring a few weeks before the San Francisco earthquake and ceased at exactly the hour of the quake.

#### Help Needed.

Brother Jones was noted for his long and laborious prayers, and although the good people of the church respected him, they were not at all pleased to hear him pray in meeting. The new minister was not aware of Brother Jones's unpopularity as a "prayer," so he had no idea why a ripple of amusement passed over the congregation when, after a hymn had been sung, he said, "Brother Jones will lead us in prayer," and in a fervent tone added—"and may God help us!"—Alley Martin in Lippincott's

#### Has Confirmed Appointment.

The appointment of A. F. Huggins as postmaster at Shelbyville has been confirmed by the senate, which is the only appointment made in Missouri, which has not been held up by the senate. J. L. Fisk is the retiring postmaster. Mr. Huggins will take charge of the office as soon as his commission arrives, which will be about April first.—Hannibal Courier-Post. Mr. Huggins served as deputy postmaster in this city and made many friends while here.

#### The Good News Spreads.

Mr. Bryan's statement that the Democratic party is more united than it has been in many years is being emphasized by reports from various quarters. The Kansas City Post tells that "The Democracy of Kansas City and Jackson county is under one banner and fighting for a common cause," for the first time in years. This is highly encouraging.—Buffalo Evening Times.

Lambert Lane was with Gem City friends Friday.

Take a glorious sun bath. Let it shine clear through into the heart and let it remain there long enough to brighten your eyes, and bring a smile of pleasure, of confidence in your fellow man tho he may not agree with you on present political questions. Let it go into the heart and drive out passion and hard words and harder feelings. We are all working to the same end and in our finite wisdom may and do sometimes err.

New York, March 20.—The report of the United States Steel corporation for the year ended December 31 last, shows gross receipts of \$575,015,000, an increase over 1906 of \$60,259,000. The cost of manufacturing, together with the producing and operating expenses, amounted to \$564,167,000, an increase over previous year of \$47,083,000. The net income was \$89,180,000. From this amount there was deducted the sum of \$35,560,000 for new plants and construction capital obligations. In addition \$12,500,000 was set aside for the construction of a plant at Gary, Indiana, leaving a balance or surplus for the year of \$15,180,000, an increase of \$2,437,000.

#### Home Again.

Thursday afternoon, George Aylor and bride, of Hannibal arrived and were met by the brides brother, Clarence and driven out to the home of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Clough where all went as merry as a marriage bell.

The Quincy Herald one of the best "country dailies" in the Mississippi Valley has come out in metropolitan style. It now runs a 12 page paper put together by one of the best presses in Illinois. It is a newspaper that deserves the name because it gives the news and is reliable because it is honest.

Marion, Ind., March 14.—After twenty-seven hours of constant balloting, Dr. Charles H. Good, of Warren, Ind., was nominated for congress on the 606th ballot by the Republicans of the Eleventh Indiana district last night by a vote of 61 to 51. His opponent was George B. Lockwood, private secretary to Vice President Fairbanks.

South Carolina is again putting forward the doctrine of state rights as a defense to an action in the federal courts. The state went into the retail liquor business a few years ago, under what was called the dispensary system. It proved to be a failure and was repealed a short time ago. Now the whole state distillers are suing the state for accounts which amount to about a million dollars, and which are due and unpaid.—Quincy Herald.

#### Executrix Notice.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of John D. Pierceall, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 28th day of February, 1908, by the Probate Court of Monroe County, Missouri. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them for allowance to the executrix within one year after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate, and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of this publication they shall be forever barred.

This 12th day of March, 1908.

SUSAN F. PIERCEALL, Executrix.

O. A. Lock and wife were with Bluff City friends, Friday.

#### Green Forage for Hogs.

An especially timely bulletin has just been issued from the Missouri Experiment Station by Dean H. J. Waters giving the results of some experiments to determine the value of different forage crops for hogs.

Thirty-six pigs weighing about 50 lbs. each were fed in lots on different forage crops in connection with corn until they were ready for market, accurate account being kept of the cost of grains made.

In cheapness of gains the feeds used ranked as follows: Corn and skim milk, cheapest; corn and alfalfa, second; corn and red clover, third; corn and bluegrass, fourth; corn and rape fifth; corn and ship stuff, sixth.

A saving of about 75 per cent a hundred in the cost of grain was effected by using green clover instead of fresh bluegrass. A saving of \$1.00 a hundred was effected by using alfalfa instead of bluegrass.

When it is realized that alfalfa comes on early and when properly clipped stays green all summer and until the very hard freezes of early winter, its importance as a hog pasture is apparent. Clover yields more forage per acre than bluegrass, and as shown by these experiments has a much higher feeding value. It is of the utmost importance to provide this sort of pasture for hogs rather than require them to run on a bluegrass pasture, or even worse than bluegrass, a timothy pasture, or even far worse than this, to confine them in a dry lot in the summer time.

This bulletin recommends a succession of crops for profitable hog pasture. The bulletin is for free distribution, and may be had by addressing the Experiment Station at Columbia.

#### They Ran Some.

Uncle Dock Jordan's dray team proved to be sprinters and not of the 1/4 mile kind either Saturday night it ran from the Joe depot on Summer to Main, up Main to Winter then to Vine then to Summer and east to Washington then north to Second then west to Main and then came the hot finish south to the livery barns where it stopped.

#### Entertained.

Saturday evening Miss Myrtle Settle entertained Misses C. Greeves, Elizabeth Geotze and Nel Landers and Carl Sharp, Roy Meriwether, George Chipman and Rush Turner in honor of her friends Misses Cleo Chipman and Myrtle Ray, of Hannibal.

St. Louis, Mo., March 21.—Forest Park University burned to the ground this afternoon. All the students escaped in safety to the lawn, but lost their belongings. Forest Park university is a school for young women conducted by Miss Anna Sneed Cairns.

The editor of the Farber Forum has such extravagant ideas. He says: "When we get rich the first thing we will do will be to buy a bushel of collar buttons, a ball of shoestrings and an extra pair of suspenders."

H. W. Dressing and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Brock, of Girard, Ill., have been with Monroe friends. They may decide to locate in Monroe.

Misses Ella Boermann and Jessie Maddox have been visiting their friend, Mrs. Joseph Warren at Huntington.

#### Divine Defines Grass Widow

Presiding Elder G. A. Leinhardt of the Macon district tells this story of the late Bishop W. W. Duncan of the Methodist Episcopal church:

When Bishop Duncan first went to Texas to preside at a state conference there he was suffering severely with hay fever. He was of a nervous disposition and referred to his malady with such frequency that it became a bit tiresome to the preachers. A brother got up to make a report, and in the course of it he used the term "grass widow."

"Grass widow!" cried the bishop. "I've heard that expression used half a dozen times since I've been here. I never heard it before. Will you please tell me, sir, what a grass widow is?"

The offending brother looked as calm and as serious as an undertaker during the storm of laughter which the bishop's speech had developed. When things quieted down he said, very gently:

"A grass widow, bishop, is a woman whose husband has died with hay fever!"—Macon Herald.

Roy Mudd, of Kansas City, spent Saturday with Monroe relatives.

Miss Maye Bigler went to Hannibal, Thursday, to visit friends.

Mrs. Mary Hord and Miss Ruby were with Hannibal friends, Friday.

J. C. Reid, of Hannibal was with friends in this city the latter part of last week.

Mrs. William Drake and little ones went to Shelbyville, Saturday to visit friends.

Mrs. John Wood, of Kearney has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Sarah Smith.

Judge Ranter Spalding, of Spalding Springs was with friends in this city Saturday.

Mrs. Bettie Maddox, of Palmyra was in the city Saturday enroute to Stoutsville to visit her mother.

Mrs. Leona Gentry and daughter, Miss Edna went to Shelbyville, Saturday to visit the homefolks.

Mrs. Jennie Terrill, of Shelbyville came down Saturday to visit her sister, Mrs. J. R. Christian.

Mrs. A. Melson and Misses Anna Jordon and Georgia Vaughn visited their friend, Mrs. Ada Westfall in Quincy, Saturday.

Melvin Douglas and Miss Bertha Hollyman, of Shelbyville, arrived Thursday afternoon to visit Luther Moss and wife.

Mrs. Otis Berry, of near Hannibal came up Friday to visit the homefolks near Joanna.

W. G. Caldwell left Thursday in charge of the fancy all purpose horse sold by Jno. J. Rogers to Prof. F. L. Washburn, of Minnesota University.

E. E. Wilcox made a business trip to Palmyra Thursday afternoon.

R. P. Buckman and nephew, William Buckman went to St. Louis, Thursday on a business trip.